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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Kirkbride et al.

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For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR CONVERTING OIL SHALE OR TAR SANDS TO OIL

**AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

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Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment & Request for Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 9, 2005. This response is being filed concurrently with a Three-Month Petition & Fee for Extension of Time, thus this response is timely filed. A Notice of Appeal, Request for Approval of Drawing Corrections and two sheets of Formal Drawings are also filed herewith.

For the Examiner's convenience:

- **Amendments to the Specification** are reflected on page 2 of this paper;
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper;
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper; and
- **Authorization** to charge additional fees to Deposit Account No. 13-4500 is on page 21 of this paper.